

REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicated that the multiple claim dependencies present in the withdrawn claims were actually amended out of the claims at the time of filing of the Preliminary Amendment, on March 24, 2005.

Upon review of the claims and the file history, Applicants confirm that the multiple dependencies were indeed amended out of withdrawn claims 7-10 and 12 by way of the Preliminary Amendment. It is not clear how the amendments of these claims were lost during prosecution. Regardless, Applicants have re-introduced these amendments herein, to withdrawn claims 7-10 and 12.

These amendments are merely of a clerical nature. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are compliant and in condition for allowance. Applicants also refer the Examiner to the substantive amendment and response filed on October 2, 2009, in connection with this patent application. An early Notice of Allowance is therefore earnestly solicited. Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at (215) 963-5809 to clarify any unresolved issues raised by this response.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge/credit Deposit Account No. **50-0310** (Billing No. 101713-5030) for any other required fees, deficiencies or overpayments in connection with this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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